

Nursery Road Elementary

6706 Nursery Road
Columbia, SC 29212

Grades	PK-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	513 Students	
Principal	Love L. Ligon	803-476-4300
Superintendent	Stephen W. Hefner, Ed.D.	803-476-8000
Board Chair	Beth Watson	803-261-7123

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Good	At-Risk
2013	Excellent	Good
2012	Excellent	Excellent
2011	Excellent	Excellent
2010	Excellent	Excellent

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent - School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good - School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average - School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average - School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk - School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

<http://ed.sc.gov>
<http://www.eoc.sc.gov>

Percent of Student SC PASS Records Matched for Purpose of Computing Growth Rating

Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located

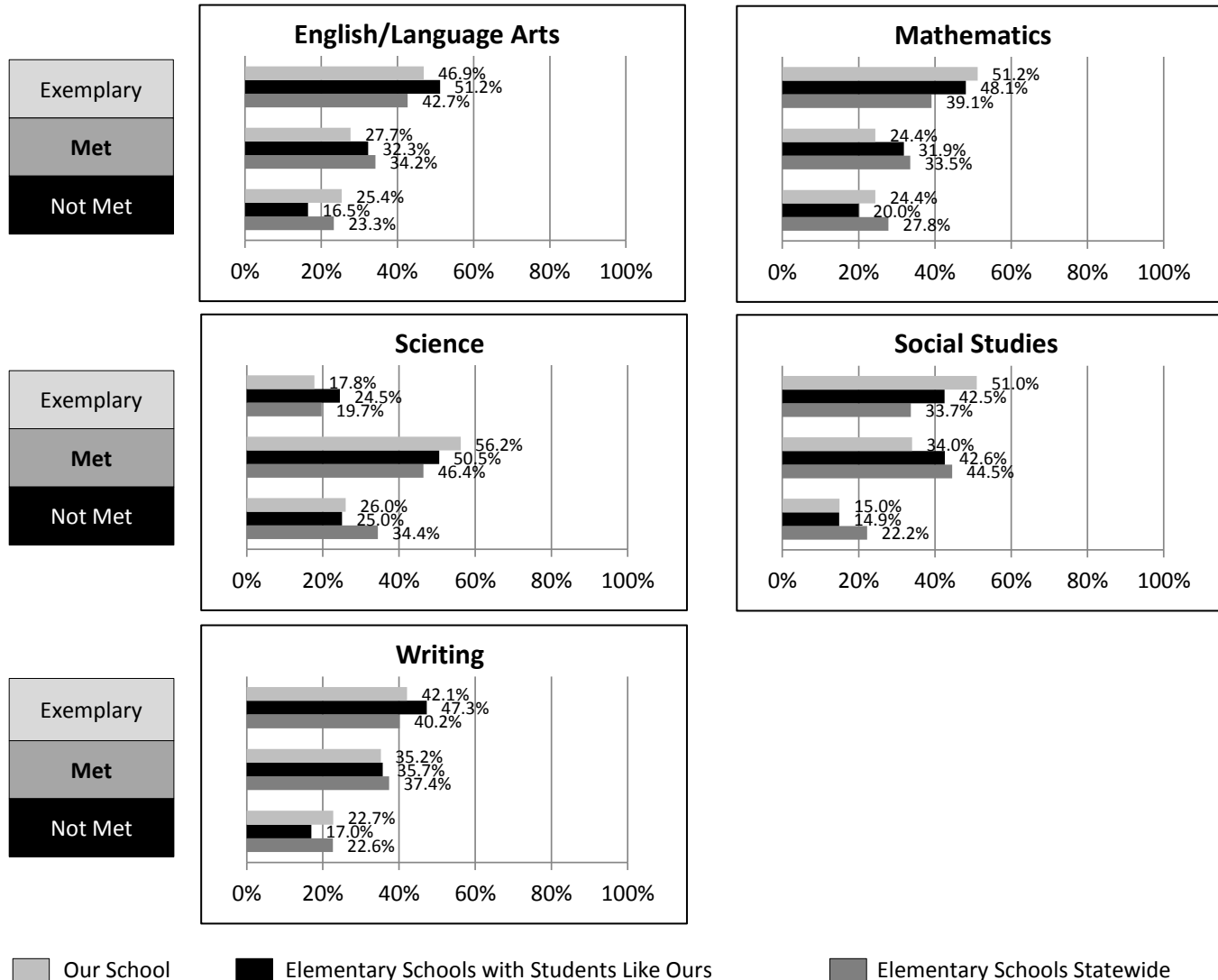
95.1%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
50	29	8	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015.

South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SC PASS)



* Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours are elementary schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

Definition of Critical Terms

Exemplary	"Exemplary" means student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" means student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	"Not Met" means that the student did not meet the grade level standard.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

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School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n = 513)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	0.4%	Up from 0.2%	0.5%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	96.7%	Up from 96.6%	96.7%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	9.9%	Down from 10.7%	10.4%	7.3%
With disabilities	23.2%	Down from 26.7%	11.4%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	0.8%	Down from 1.4%	1.3%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 51)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	70.6%	Up from 69.4%	64.2%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	80.4%	Down from 81.6%	82.5%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.9%	Down from 89.7%	90.4%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.8%	Up from 93.6%	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,777	Up 6.9%	\$50,017	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	10.0 days	Up from 8.9 days	11.7 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	14.8 to 1	Down from 15.5 to 1	20.5 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.4%	Up from 88.6%	91.3%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$12,365	Up 11.6%	\$7,012	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	63.7%	Down from 64.0%	67.6%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.3%	Up from 63.0%	66.8%	66.0%

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

The mission of Nursery Road Elementary School is to motivate, empower and support students to accomplish individual goals within challenging curricula and to develop successful citizens in a diverse community. In 2013 – 2014, we celebrated an absolute rating of “Excellent” on our state report card for the fifth consecutive year and were awarded Palmetto Gold for the fifth consecutive year for student achievement. We celebrate our students’ success on MAP and PASS through our WNRE morning show, data rallies and other recognition opportunities. Our Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports (PBIS) initiative continues to help our students thrive to do their personal best each day. Students who earned their goal in tickets enjoyed PBIS celebrations each nine weeks. Our staff focused on writing through our Data Teams. Collaboration of instructional strategies and best practices in all content areas was also the focus in school-wide conversations and the individual reflections of our teachers.

Our students continue to learn and serve by leading in community outreach and other service projects. Those efforts included Special Olympics, Student Government Association, Safety Patrol, Flag Patrol, WNRE daily morning show, Champion Buddies who assist students with special needs, food drives, and collection drives for our veterans and soldiers.

Our Pre-Games continue to provide students with opportunities for extracurricular activities before the school day begins including: Goal Oriented Leadership Development (GOLD), math lab, book club, ballroom dancing, fitness, nutrition and learning to play the dulcimer. WIN WIN (What I need, When I need) was added this year to assist students with homework.

We began the Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) Program this year, led by our School Improvement Council (SIC). Nearly 30 fathers and father figures volunteered to spend a day lending a hand to our Champions. More than 50 of our Champions have mentors who are actively involved in our students’ school life and well-being. Our PTO continues to sponsor our quarterly Pinning Ceremony, recognizing students for academic achievement. Our monthly “Heart Act to Follow” character ceremony sponsored by partners at Fellowship Bible Church continues to help students instill life skills that build good character. Our grounds/facilities improvements include 15 new River Birch trees on our playground; a mural of Arts Integration in our Activity Arena; additional security cameras; and painting in the front office, kitchen, gym and all main hallways.

This year, we added two portable Chromebook computer labs and iPads as instructional tools. In addition, students continue to grow in math through our Reflex Math and Compass Odyssey Labs during the school year and summer. Through professional development, continued data analysis, and collaboration we will continue to grow our students to greatness as we motivate, empower and support them to achieve their best!

Principal: Love Ligons

SIC Chair: Jim Ramsey

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	47	71	22
Percent satisfied with learning environment	78.7%	94.4%	95.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.8%	92.9%	95.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	84.8%	97.2%	63.6%

* Only students at the highest elementary school grade level and their parents were included.

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ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System

In July 2013, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed SC to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. For a detailed review of the matrix for each school and districts that determined the letter grade, please use the following link: <http://ed.sc.gov/data/esea/> or request this information from your child's district or school.

Overall Weighted Points Total	82.1
Overall Grade Conversion	B

Index Score	Grade	Description
90-100	A	Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
80-89.9	B	Performance exceeds the state's expectations.
70-79.9	C	Performance meets the state's expectations.
60-69.9	D	Performance does not meet the state's expectations.
Less than 60	F	Performance is substantially below the states' expectations.

Accountability Indicator (Title I Schools)

Nursery Road Elementary has been designated as a:

	Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
	Title I Reward School for Progress - one of the schools with substantial progress in school subgroups.
X	Title I Focus School - one of the schools with the highest average performance gap between subgroups.
	Title I Priority School - one of the 5% lowest performing Title I schools.
	Title I School - does not qualify as Reward, Focus or Priority School.
	Non-Title I School - therefore the designations above are not applicable.

Teacher Quality and Student Attendance

		Our District	State
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers		4	3.2%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers		N/A	7.3%
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.9%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	96.7%	94.0%*	Yes
			State
Professional qualifications of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State (Advanced Degrees)			61.9%
Percentage of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State with emergency or provisional credentials			0.0%

* Or greater than last year

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SC PASS Performance By Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean*	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested
Grades 3-5							
All Students	641.2	653.5	625.2	655.5	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	632.9	652.8	622.3	658.9	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	648.7	654.1	627.7	652.2	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	657.8	675.5	641.9	672.9	100.0	100.0	100.0
African American	616.5	620.8	596.5	627.7	100.0	100.0	100.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	597.8	600.0	591.4	614.3	100.0	100.0	100.0
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	617.1	617.1	593.7	633.9	100.0	100.0	100.0
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0

* Social Studies used as "Other Academic Indicator" for elementary and middle schools.

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Two Year Elementary and Middle School Grades Trend Data

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
2013	3	89	665.3	100.0	89	655.3	100.0
	4	74	653.3	100.0	74	663.8	100.0
	5	94	643.1	100.0	94	638.0	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	44	650.0	97.7	45	660.0	100.0
	4	70	649.4	100.0	74	675.5	100.0
	5	47	628.1	100.0	48	644.7	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
2014	3	64	637.3	100.0	64	648.9	100.0
	4	92	646.1	100.0	92	648.9	100.0
	5	81	638.9	100.0	81	662.2	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	32	619.8	100.0	33	636.1	100.0
	4	92	623.6	100.0	92	661.0	100.0
	5	41	632.9	97.6	39	659.9	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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NOTE: Results include the SC-ALT test.

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (District)							4/27/2015	3205047
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Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	657.5	668.3	642.5	667.0	99.9	100.0	99.9	N/A
Male	651.2	668.2	643.7	670.9	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
Female	663.8	668.4	641.4	663.2	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
White	668.7	681.6	656.9	678.4	99.9	100.0	99.9	N/A
African American	631.3	636.5	609.1	639.3	99.8	100.0	100.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	680.2	707.1	663.2	687.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	648.8	651.8	631.0	657.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	603.6	607.5	594.2	620.0	99.6	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	647.8	675.3	635.3	664.6	99.3	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	631.1	637.6	613.6	639.6	99.8	100.0	100.0	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	647.8	660.1	665.5	669.1	99.9	100.0	99.9	N/A
Male	640.5	658.4	665.4	672.6	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Female	655.0	661.8	665.6	665.6	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
White	661.8	673.9	679.9	683.3	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
African American	616.0	626.1	630.8	637.6	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	680.6	717.3	700.7	710.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	645.1	658.0	665.0	664.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	575.8	588.5	594.4	606.6	99.8	100.0	99.3	N/A
Limited English Proficient	645.0	672.0	667.0	683.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	617.8	627.1	634.7	637.6	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	236.3	233.4	86.7	77.8	99.8	99.8	100.0	86.9
Male	232.4	234.0	86.9	78.6	99.7	99.7	100.0	84.9
Female	239.9	232.8	86.5	77.0	99.9	99.9	100.0	88.9
White	242.7	242.1	91.1	80.4	99.8	99.8	100.0	91.4
African American	221.9	214.1	77.5	72.2	99.8	99.8	100.0	78.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	247.6	249.6	91.7	76.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	81.6
Hispanic	233.2	228.5	81.5	76.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	86.0
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	85.7
With Disabilities	206.5	201.3	72.1	66.1	99.2	99.2	100.0	54.9
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	69.2	N/A	N/A	N/A	73.1
Subsidized Meals	221.1	213.7	77.7	71.7	99.7	99.7	100.0	72.4
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

* Social Studies used as "Other Academic Indicator" for elementary and middle schools.

Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (State)							4/27/2015	3205047
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Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies* / History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	643.8	644.3	626.4	645.0	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Male	638.9	643.9	627.0	646.5	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Female	649.0	644.6	625.8	643.4	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	659.5	662.7	644.4	659.5	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	622.3	617.3	601.2	624.1	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	669.9	686.6	655.9	673.4	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Hispanic	631.7	634.6	614.5	636.5	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	642.1	640.4	627.1	641.8	99.7	99.9	99.5	N/A
With Disabilities	599.3	596.5	587.6	609.2	98.9	99.5	99.5	N/A
Limited English Proficient	631.2	638.6	615.0	638.1	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
Subsidized Meals	627.7	625.2	609.4	628.7	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Migrant	608.2	615.1	590.4	623.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	627.8	632.2	634.7	637.4	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
Male	620.6	630.1	634.4	639.8	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Female	635.4	634.3	635.0	634.9	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
White	644.3	647.7	652.3	652.3	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
African American	604.3	608.5	608.9	615.2	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	658.5	680.2	673.0	677.3	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
Hispanic	617.3	625.4	625.0	630.5	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	629.4	631.2	637.2	638.3	99.9	99.8	99.7	N/A
With Disabilities	574.5	584.3	584.9	592.8	99.4	99.4	99.2	N/A
Limited English Proficient	612.5	625.8	622.5	629.8	99.6	99.7	99.8	N/A
Subsidized Meals	610.0	614.6	616.3	619.9	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Migrant	586.4	606.8	600.8	607.7	98.2	98.2	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	229.3	222.6	81.8	74.9	98.7	98.7	100.0	80.0
Male	225.6	222.4	81.8	75.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	75.7
Female	233.2	222.9	81.9	74.0	99.2	99.1	100.0	84.5
White	235.9	230.8	86.1	78.1	99.0	98.9	100.0	82.8
African American	219.6	209.6	75.2	69.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	76.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	240.2	245.8	89.4	80.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	88.0
Hispanic	225.1	219.4	79.5	73.5	98.9	99.0	100.0	76.9
American Indian/Alaskan	228.8	220.3	81.9	77.2	98.9	99.3	100.0	74.3
With Disabilities	204.3	196.5	68.4	66.2	96.6	96.5	100.0	43.2
Limited English Proficient	218.0	214.7	76.6	71.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	73.4
Subsidized Meals	221.1	212.6	76.8	70.8	98.3	98.2	100.0	72.5
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	61.5
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.

Reading - Grade 4 (2013)



Mathematics - Grade 4 (2013)



Reading - Grade 8 (2013)



Mathematics - Grade 8 (2013)



Key

NSLP National school lunch program

SD Student with disabilities

ELL English language learner

NAEP National Association of Education Progress

	SD Participation Rate	ELL Participation Rate
Reading, Grade 4	89.0%	96.0%
Reading, Grade 8	85.0%	96.0%
Mathematics, Grade 4	93.0%	99.0%
Mathematics, Grade 8	90.0%	95.0%

Our School

Number of recently arrived ELL students exempted from ELA in state assessments

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